FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. \$307

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: DMV ID to Vote

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES: See Below

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

The proposed Bill would: require a person who presents himself to vote to produce a valid South Carolina driver's license or other identification with a photograph issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles; disqualify a person from being registered or voting if he has been convicted of voting more than once in an election; and increase the penalties for an individual who votes for the same office in the same election more than once.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

State Election Commission

A review of this Bill by the Commission indicates there will be a cost to the General Fund of the State of approximately \$130,000 for voter education, on-line poll manager training and updating handbooks along with replacing lost/misplaced voter registration cards.

Other Agencies

The Judicial Department and the Department of Corrections indicate this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agencies at their current level of funding.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

It should be noted that the State Election Commission requests funding for primary and statewide general elections, and if this Bill is enacted, these additional expenditures would be included as part of its budget request.

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